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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD **CHARGE AGAINST EMPLOYER**

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Case

20-CA-275219

Date Filed 04/05/2021

INSTRUCTIONS:

File an original with NLRB Regional Director for the region in which the alleged unfair labor practice occurred or is occurring.				
a. Name of Employer	GAINST WHOM CHARGE IS BROUGHT	b. Tel. No.		
		(415) 600-6000		
Sutter Bay Hospital		c. Cell No.		
		S. SS. No.		
		f. Fax No.		
d. Address (Street, city, state, and ZIP code)	e. Employer Representative			
1101 Van Ness Avenue		g. e-Mail		
CA San Francisco 94109				
		h. Number of workers employed		
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 Type of Establishment (factory, mine, wholesaler, etc.) Healthcare Facilities 	j. Identify principal product or service Hospital - medical services			
k. The above-named employer has engaged in and is engaging i		tion 8(a) subsections (1) and (list		
subsections) 1				
		or Relations Act, and these unfair labor		
practices are practices affecting commerce within the meaning within the meaning of the Act and the Postal Reorganization A		air practices affecting commerce		
2. Basis of the Charge (set forth a clear and concise statement of	of the facts constituting the alleged unfair labor pra	actices)		
Con additional page				
See additional page				
3. Full name of party filing charge (if labor organization, give full	name, including local name and number)			
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Title:	, ,			
4a. Address (Street and number, city, state, and ZIP code)		4b. Tel. No. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)		
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(5) (5), (5) (1)(5)				
		4d. Fax No.		
	-	4e. e-Mail		
		(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)		
Full name of national or international labor organization of whorganization)	ich it is an affiliate or constituent unit (to be filled i	n when charge is filed by a labor		
organization)				
6. DECLARATION		Tel. No.		
I declare that I have read the above charge and that the statements		(925) 204-3907		
a601 N	, ,	Office, if any, Cell No.		
By Title:	Maureen E McFadden	(925) 209-5949		
-,	Print/type name and title or office, if any)	Fax No		
		(510) 225-3874		
1320 Willow Pass Rd. Suite 600		e-Mail		
Address Concord CA 94520	04/05/2021 05:28:56 PM (date)	maureenemcfadden@gmail.com		
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WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS CHARGE CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001) PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Solicitation of the information on this form is authorized by the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA), 29 U.S.C. § 151 et seq. The principal use of the information is to assist the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) in processing unfair labor practice and related proceedings or litigation. The routine uses for the information are fully set forth in the Federal Register, 71 Fed. Reg. 74942-43 (Dec. 13, 2006). The NLRB will further explain these uses upon request. Disclosure of this information to the NLRB is voluntary; however, failure to supply the information will cause the NLRB to decline to invoke its processes.

Basis of the Charge 20-CA-275219 04/05/2019

8(a)(1)

Within the previous six-months, the Employer has interfered with, restrained, and coerced its employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by denying an employee's request for union representation during an disciplinary investigation.

Approximate date representation was denied

2020

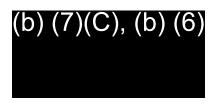


UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD



REGION 20 901 Market Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103-1738 Agency Website: www.nlrb.gov Telephone: (415)356-5130 Fax: (415)356-5156 Download NLRB Mobile App

April 6, 2021



Re: Sutter Bay Hospital Case 20-CA-275219

Dear (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

The charge that you filed in this case on April 05, 2021 has been docketed as case number 20-CA-275219. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be investigating the charge, explains your right to be represented, discusses presenting your evidence, and provides a brief explanation of our procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

<u>Investigator</u>: This charge is being investigated by Field Attorney CECILY VIX whose telephone number is (628)221-8877. If this Board agent is not available, you may contact Supervisory Attorney KATHLEEN C. SCHNEIDER whose telephone number is (628)221-8873.

Right to Representation: You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before us. If you choose to be represented, your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing *Form NLRB-4701*, *Notice of Appearance*. This form is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request.

If you are contacted by someone about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the National Labor Relations Board. Their knowledge regarding this proceeding was only obtained through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

<u>Presentation of Your Evidence</u>: As the party who filed the charge in this case, it is your responsibility to meet with the Board agent to provide a sworn affidavit, or provide other witnesses to provide sworn affidavits, and to provide relevant documents within your possession. Because we seek to resolve labor disputes promptly, you should be ready to promptly present your affidavit(s) and other evidence. If you have not yet scheduled a date and time for the Board agent to take your affidavit, please contact the Board agent to schedule the affidavit(s). If you fail to cooperate in promptly presenting your evidence, your charge may be dismissed without investigation.

<u>Preservation of all Potential Evidence:</u> Please be mindful of your obligation to preserve all relevant documents and electronically stored information (ESI) in this case, and to take all steps necessary to avoid the inadvertent loss of information in your possession, custody or control. Relevant information includes, but is not limited to, paper documents and all ESI (e.g. SMS text messages, electronic documents, emails, and any data created by proprietary software tools) related to the above-captioned case.

<u>Prohibition on Recording Affidavit Interviews:</u> It is the policy of the General Counsel to prohibit affiants from recording the interview conducted by Board agents when subscribing Agency affidavits. Such recordings may impede the Agency's ability to safeguard the confidentiality of the affidavit itself, protect the privacy of the affiant and potentially compromise the integrity of the Region's investigation.

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In addition, this Region will be issuing case-related correspondence and documents, including complaints, compliance specifications, dismissal letters, deferral letters, and withdrawal letters, electronically to the email address you provide. Please ensure that you receive important case-related correspondence, please ensure that the Board Agent assigned to your case has your preferred email address. These steps will ensure that you receive correspondence faster and at a significantly lower cost to the taxpayer. If there is some reason you are unable to receive correspondence via email, please contact the agent assigned to your case to discuss the circumstances that prevent you from using email.

Information about the Agency, the procedures we follow in unfair labor practice cases and our customer service standards is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov or from an NLRB office upon your request. NLRB Form 4541, Investigative Procedures offers information that is helpful to parties involved in an investigation of an unfair labor practice charge.

We can provide assistance for persons with limited English proficiency or disability. Please let us know if you or any of your witnesses would like such assistance.

Very truly yours,

JILL H. COFFMAN Regional Director

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cc: Maureen E. McFadden, Attorney
Law Offices of Maureen E McFadden
1320 Willow Pass Road
Suite 600
Concord CA 94520



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<u>Presentation of Your Evidence</u>: We seek prompt resolutions of labor disputes. Therefore, I urge you or your representative to submit a complete written account of the facts and a statement of your position with respect to the allegations set forth in the charge as soon as possible. If the Board agent later asks for more evidence, I strongly urge you or your representative to cooperate fully by promptly presenting all evidence relevant to the investigation. In this way, the case can be fully investigated more quickly.

Full and complete cooperation includes providing witnesses to give sworn affidavits to a Board agent, and providing all relevant documentary evidence requested by the Board agent. Sending us your written account of the facts and a statement of your position is not

enough to be considered full and complete cooperation. A refusal to fully cooperate during the investigation might cause a case to be litigated unnecessarily.

In addition, either you or your representative must complete the enclosed Commerce Questionnaire to enable us to determine whether the NLRB has jurisdiction over this dispute. If you recently submitted this information in another case, or if you need assistance completing the form, please contact the Board agent.

We will not honor requests to limit our use of position statements or evidence. Specifically, any material you submit may be introduced as evidence at a hearing before an administrative law judge regardless of claims of confidentiality. However, certain evidence produced at a hearing may be protected from public disclosure by demonstrated claims of confidentiality.

Further, the Freedom of Information Act may require that we disclose position statements or evidence in closed cases upon request, unless an exemption applies, such as those protecting confidential financial information or personal privacy interests.

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JILL H. COFFMAN Regional Director

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Enclosures:

- 1. Copy of Charge
- 2. Commerce Questionnaire

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

SUTTER BAY HOSPITAL	
Charged Party	
and	Case 20-CA-275219
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	
Charging Party	
AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OF CHARGE AGA I, the undersigned employee of the National Labor April 6, 2021, I served the above-entitled documen following persons, addressed to them at the following Sutter Bay Hospital 1101 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco CA 94109	Relations Board, state under oath that on t(s) by post-paid regular mail upon the
April 6, 2021	Caroline Barker, Designated Agent of NLRB
Date	Name

/s/ Caroline Barker
Signature

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)		
and	CASE 20-CA-275219	
SUTTER BAY HOSPITAL	CHOL ZO ON ZIOZIO	
REGIONAL DIRECTOR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD Washington, DC 20570	GENERAL COUNSEL NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD Washington, DC 20570	
THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ENTERS APPEARANCE AS REPRESENTAT	IVE OF	
IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED MATTER.		
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) BELOW: REPRESENTATIVE IS AN ATTORNEY		
IF REPRESENTATIVE IS AN ATTORNEY, IN ORDER TO ENSURE TO CERTAIN DOCUMENTS OR CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE AGENCY IN BOX MUST BE CHECKED. IF THIS BOX IS NOT CHECKED, THE PARTY V DOCUMENTS SUCH AS CHARGES, PETITIONS AND FORMAL DOCUMEN CASEHANDLING MANUAL.	ADDITION TO THOSE DESCRIBED BELOW, THIS WILL RECEIVE ONLY COPIES OF CERTAIN	
(REPRESENTATIVE INFORM	MATION)	
NAME: MEREDITH GAREY		
MAILING ADDRESS: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL, 2200 RIVER PLAZA DRIVE, SACRAMENTO, CA, 95833		
E-MAIL ADDRESS: gareymp@sutterhealth.org		
OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER: 916-286-6913		
CELL PHONE NUMBER:	_FAX: 916-286-6781	
SIGNATURE: Meredith Garey (Please sign in ink.) DATE:April 20, 2021		

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ IF CASE IS PENDING IN WASHINGTON AND NOTICE OF APPEARANCE IS SENT TO THE GENERAL COUNSEL OR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, A COPY SHOULD BE SENT TO THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF THE REGION IN WHICH THE CASE WAS FILED SO THAT THOSE RECORDS WILL REFLECT THE APPEARANCE.



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May 6, 2021

Meredith P. Garey, Attorney Sutter Health - Office of the General Counsel 2200 River Plaza Drive Sacramento, CA 95833

Maureen E. McFadden, Attorney Law Offices of Maureen E McFadden 1320 Willow Pass Road Suite 600 Concord, CA 94520

> Re: Sutter Bay Hospital Case 20-CA-275219

Dear Ms. Garey and Ms. McFadden:

The Region has carefully considered the charge alleging that Sutter Bay Hospital violated the National Labor Relations Act. As explained below, I have decided that further proceedings on the charge should be handled in accordance with the deferral policy of the National Labor Relations Board as set forth in *Collyer Insulated Wire*, 192 NLRB 837 (1971), and *United Technologies Corp.*, 268 NLRB 557 (1984). This letter explains that deferral policy, the reasons for my decision to defer further processing of the charge, and the Charging Party's right to appeal my decision.

Deferral Policy: The Board's deferral policy provides that the Board will postpone making a final determination on a charge when a grievance involving the same issue can be processed under the grievance/arbitration provision of the applicable contract. This policy is partially based on the preference that the parties use their contractual grievance procedure to achieve a prompt, fair, and effective settlement of their disputes. Therefore, if an employer agrees to waive contractual time limits and process the related grievance through arbitration if necessary, the Board's Regional Office will defer the charge.

Decision to Defer: Based on our investigation, I am deferring further proceedings on the charge in this matter to the grievance/arbitration process for the following reasons:

- 1. The Employer and the Union had a collective-bargaining agreement in effect from May 6, 2020 to January 31, 2021, that provides for final and binding arbitration.
- 2. The *Weingarten* violation as alleged in the charge is encompassed by the terms of the collective-bargaining agreement.

- 3. The Employer is willing to process a grievance concerning the issues in the charge, and will arbitrate the grievance if necessary. The Employer has also agreed to waive any time limitations in order to ensure that the arbitrator addresses the merits of the dispute, and whether a make-whole remedy is appropriate.
- 4. Since the issues in the charge appear to be covered by provisions of the collective-bargaining agreement, it is likely that the issues may be resolved through the grievance/arbitration procedure.

Further Processing of the Charge: As explained below, while the charge is deferred, the Regional office will monitor the processing of the grievance and, under certain circumstances, will resume processing of the charge.

Charging Party's Obligation: Under the Board's Collyer deferral policy, the Charging Party has an affirmative obligation to file a grievance, if a grievance has not already been filed. If the Charging Party fails either to promptly submit the grievance to the grievance/arbitration process or declines to have the grievance arbitrated if it is not resolved, I may dismiss the charge.

Union/Employer Conduct: If the Union or Employer fails to promptly process the grievance under the grievance/arbitration process; declines to arbitrate the grievance if it is not resolved; or if a conflict develops between the interests of the Union and the Charging Party, I may revoke deferral and resume processing of the charge.

Charged Party's Conduct: If the Charged Party prevents or impedes resolution of the grievance, raises a defense that the grievance is untimely filed, or refuses to arbitrate the grievance, I will revoke deferral and resume processing of the charge.

Monitoring the Dispute: Approximately every 90 days, the Regional Office will ask the parties about the status of this dispute to determine if the dispute has been resolved and if continued deferral is appropriate. However, at any time, a party may present evidence and request dismissal of the charge, continued deferral of the charge, or issuance of a complaint.

Notice to Arbitrator Form: If the grievance is submitted to an arbitrator, please sign and submit to the arbitrator the enclosed "Notice to Arbitrator" form to ensure that the Region receives a copy of an arbitration award when the arbitrator sends the award to the parties.

Review of Arbitrator's Award or Settlement: If the grievance is arbitrated or settled, the Charging Party may ask the Board to review the arbitrator's award or settlement. The request must be in writing and addressed to me. If the request concerns an arbitrator's award, the request should analyze whether the arbitration process was fair and regular, whether the unfair labor practice allegations in the charge were considered by the arbitrator, and whether the award is consistent with the Act. Further guidance on this review is provided in Spielberg Manufacturing Company, 112 NLRB 1080 (1955)

and *Olin Corp.*, 268 NLRB 573 (1984). If the request concerns a grievance settlement, see *Alpha Beta*, 273 NLRB 1546 (1985). These Board decisions are available on our website, <u>www.nlrb.gov</u>.

Change in Standards if Parties Agree to Submit Statutory Issue to Arbitrator: If during the processing of the grievance the parties agree to authorize the arbitrator to decide the statutory issue, please advise me in writing.

Charging Party's Right to Appeal: The Charging Party may appeal my decision to the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, through the Office of Appeals.

Means of Filing: You must file your appeal electronically or provide a written statement explaining why electronic submission is not possible or feasible (Written instructions for the NLRB's E-Filing system and the Terms and Conditions of the NLRB's E-Filing policy are available at www.nlrb.gov. See User Guide. A video demonstration which provides step-by-step instructions and frequently asked questions are also available at www.nlrb.gov. If you require additional assistance with E-Filing, please contact e-Filing@nlrb.gov.

You are encouraged to also submit a complete statement of the facts and reasons why you believe my decision was incorrect. If you cannot file electronically, please send the appeal and your written explanation of why you cannot file electronically to the General Counsel at the National Labor Relations Board, Attn: Office of Appeals, 1015 Half Street SE, Washington, DC 20570-0001. Unless filed electronically, a copy of the appeal should also be sent to me.

The appeal MAY NOT be filed by fax or email. The Office of Appeals will not process faxed or emailed appeals.

Appeal Due Date: The appeal is due on May 20, 2021. If the appeal is filed electronically, the transmission of the entire document through the Agency's website must be completed no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the due date. If filing by mail or by delivery service an appeal will be found to be timely filed if it is postmarked or given to a delivery service no later than May 19, 2021. If an appeal is postmarked or given to a delivery service on the due date, it will be rejected as untimely. If hand delivered, an appeal must be received by the General Counsel in Washington D.C. by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the appeal due date. If an appeal is not submitted in accordance with this paragraph, it will be rejected.

Extension of Time to File Appeal: The General Counsel may allow additional time to file the appeal if the Charging Party provides a good reason for doing so and the request for an extension of time is **received on or before May 20, 2021.** The request may be filed electronically through the *E-File Documents* link on our website www.nlrb.gov, by fax to (202)273-4283, by mail, or by delivery service. The General Counsel will not consider any request for an extension of time to file an appeal received after May 20, 2021, **even if it is postmarked or given to the delivery service before the due date**. Unless filed electronically, a copy of the extension of time should also be sent to me.

Confidentiality: We will not honor requests to limit our use of appeal statements or evidence. Upon a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) by a party during the processing of an appeal, the Agency's FOIA Branch discloses appeal statements, redacted for personal privacy, confidential source protection, or other applicable FOIA exemptions. In the event the appeal is sustained, any statement or material submitted may be introduced as evidence at a hearing before an administrative law judge. However, certain evidence produced at a hearing may be protected from public disclosure by demonstrated claims of confidentiality.

Very truly yours,

JILL H. COFFMAN Regional Director

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Enclosures

cc: Sutter Bay Hospital 1101 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94109



Kijani Edwards National Union of Healthcare Workers, CNA 1250 45th Street Suite 200 Emeryville, CA 94608

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD NOTICE TO ARBITRATOR

TO:		
	(Arbitrator)	
	(Address)	
		NLRB Case Number 20-CA-275219
NLRE	3 Case Name: Sutter Bay Hospita	I
NLRB proceed the und Region	Relations Board to administratively decharge in the above matter. Further, do to arbitration before you in order to So that the Regional Director can be dersigned hereby requests that a copy	he Regional Director of Region 20 of the National efer to arbitration the further processing of the both parties to the NLRB case have agreed to resolve the dispute underlying the NLRB charge. promptly informed of the status of the arbitration, of the arbitration award be sent to Regional Director, in Francisco, CA 94103-1738 at the same time that it
		(Name)
		(Title)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

APPEAL FORM

To: General Counsel Attn: Office of Appeals	Date:
National Labor Relations Board	
1015 Half Street SE Washington, DC 20570-0001	
I am appealing the action of the Region	onal Director in deferring the charge in
Case Name(s).	
Case No(s). (If more than one case number, taken.)	include all case numbers in which appeal is
	(Signature)

E-FILING TO APPEALS

- 1. **Extension of Time**: This document is used when the Charging Party is asking for more time to efile an Appeal.
 - If an Extension of Time is e-filed, and there are additional documents to be e-filed simultaneously with it, please e-file those documents under the selection **Correspondence**.
 - After an Extension of Time has already been e-filed, any **additional** materials to add to the Extension of Time should be e-filed under **Correspondence**.
- 2. **File an Appeal**: If the Charging Party does not agree with the Region's decision on the case, an Appeal can be e-filed.
 - Only one (1) Appeal can be e-filed to each determination in the Region's decision letter that is received.
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- 3. **Notice of Appearance**: Either party can e-file a Notice of Appearance if there is a new counsel representing one side or a different counsel.
 - This document is only e-filed with the Office of Appeals after a decision has been made by the Region.
 - This document can be e-filed **before** an Appeal is e-filed.
- 4. **Correspondence**: Parties will **select** Correspondence when adding documents or supplementing the Appeal or Extension of Time.
 - Correspondence is used to e-file documents after an Extension of Time, Appeal or Notice of Appearance has been e-filed.
- 5. **Position Statement**: The Charging Party or Charged Party may e-file a Position Statement.
 - The Charging Party will e-file this document as a supplement of the Appeal.
 - The Charged Party will specifically file one to support the Region's decision.
 - This document should be e-filed after an Extension of Time, Appeal or Notice of Appearance has been e-filed.
- 6. **Withdrawal Request**: If the Charging Party decides to no longer pursue their appeal, he/she can e-file a Withdrawal Request to the Office of Appeals.
 - This document should be e-Filed after an Extension of Time, Appeal or Notice of Appearance has been e-filed.



7. The selections of **Evidence** or **Other** should no longer be used.